

County Board Finance & Audit Committee

Supervisor Elizabeth M. Coggs, Chair

Supervisor Johnny L. Thomas, Vice-Chair Supervisor James "Luigi" Schmitt Supervisor Peggy A. West Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr. Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr. Supervisor Patricia Jursik

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COUNTY BOARD 2011 BUDGET BLAST: OCTOBER 26, 2010

Milwaukee, WI – The Milwaukee County Board's Finance & Audit Committee is holding a series of public meetings throughout October on the <u>County Executive's 2011 Recommended Budget</u>. Each day, the Committee votes on a number of specific departments and items in the budget.



Finance & Audit Committee Budget Meeting from Courthouse Room 203-R

Today, the Committee **voted to approve** the following budget items:

- 4-3 (as amended) (No: Thomas, Schmitt, Jursik) DHHS-Behavioral Health Division
 - Amendment approved 4-2 (No: Schmitt, Jursik, Excused: Thomas) to increase funding for Realign Detox Services by \$300,000.
 - Amendment approved 4-2 (No: Schmitt, Jursik, Excused: Thomas) to work with the State to either narrow eligibility for the Adult Community Services under Section 1915(i) of the Social Security Act and/or replace/reduce the County's local commitment with State funding
 - Amendment approved 6-0 (Excused: Thomas) to add language related to Milwaukee County's payment of matching funds for the Badger Care Plus Core Plan, formerly the General Assistance Medical Program.
- 7-0 (as amended) Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
 - Amendment approved 7-0 to explore options for additional parking at the Coggs Center, in light of the move of the Department on Aging to the Coggs Center.

The Committee voted to lay over the following items:

- 6-0 (Excused: Coggs) Employee Fringe Benefits
- 6-0 (Excused: Coggs) Wage & Benefit Modification Account

- 5-0 (Excused: Coggs, Mayo) County Sales Tax Revenue
- 5-1 (No: Mayo) Kickers Soccer Club Lease Agreement
 - Amendment approved 5-1 (No: Mayo) to explore and potentially develop a new lease agreement for the Uihlein Soccer Park facility.

Capital Improvements Budget

The Committee **voted to approve** the following item:

- 4-3 (as amended) (No: Thomas, Schmitt, Johnson) Behavioral Health Facility
 - Signals intent of County Board to construct a new behavioral health hospital on the Milwaukee County Grounds.
 - o Amendment approved 4-3 (No: Thomas, Schmitt, Johnson) to set aside \$5.4 million to design and build a Crisis Resource Center in the northern portion of Milwaukee County.

The next meeting is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 27 in Room 203-R of the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

Click here to access the 2011 County Budget meeting schedule

Click here to listen to live audio from the meetings (available while meetings are in progress)

The County Board of Supervisors, under the leadership of Chairman Lee Holloway, will adopt the County's 2011 Budget on Monday, November 8 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 200 of the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

The County Board's annual Public Hearing on the 2011 Budget is scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, November 1 at the Washington Park Senior Center.

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